





## News of the Week.

Mr. Sumner's arm chair sold at auction for \$315. It was worth about \$25. On Thursday, Elwood E. Thome was chosen grand master of the Masonic Grand Lodge.

On Thursday, General Bristow took the oath of office, and entered upon his duties as Secretary of the Treasury. The President signed the commission of Richard A. Coates to be associate justice of the Court of Claims, on the same day.

The President has caused a gold medal to be presented to Captain John Horn, jr., of Detroit, for saving over 100 women and children from drowning.

The annual convention of the editors and publishers of the state, will be held in Lockport, on the 17th and 18th inst.

The executive committee of the New York State Temperance Society held a meeting in Albany, Thursday, and resolved to hold county conventions throughout the state for organization. A state convention will be called before the full election.

General Santa Anna has recently returned to Mexico, after eighteen years' banishment. Since his return a lady has sent him a box containing his foot, which the rabble dragged through the streets, on December 6, 1841. It had been secured and preserved by the lady's husband.

James Lick, of San Francisco, has donated \$70,000 to the construction of the largest telescope in the world, for the observatory of Lake Tahoe; \$420,000 for public monuments; \$150,000 for public baths in San Francisco; \$100,000 for an old ladies' home; \$10,000 to the society for the protection of animals; \$25,000 for the ladies' protection relief society; \$10,000 to the mechanics' library; \$25,000 to the protestants' orphan asylum; \$150,000 for the erection of a bronze monument to the author of the Star Spangled Banner in golden gate park; \$30,000 for the purchase of a school of mechanical arts in California; the residue in excess of \$1,780,000 to the pioneer society. He makes ample provisions for relatives, and reserves a homestead and \$25,000 per annum for himself.

General Spinner, Friday, tendered his resignation to the Secretary of the Treasury. He says it has been his practice whenever there has been a change in the head of the department, to offer his resignation. Mr. Bristow, of course, followed the precedent set by many predecessors, and declined to accept General Spinner's tender.

The Carlist army, under Alfonso, was defeated at Aragon, with great loss. The track of the Albany & Susquehanna railroad was washed out at several points by the storm of Sunday. In Delaware county, a number of houses, fences, &c. were swept away by swollen streams, and in Green county great damage was done to fruit trees and grain.

Sunday a whirlwind destroyed a large amount of property at Kempsville, Ontario.

A decree has been issued in Cuba to arrest the rapid rise of gold, by sales, by the Spanish Bank, at a premium below the rates of bankers.

It is stated that the American pilgrims will be received by the Pope to-day.

In the House on Monday the rules were suspended and the bill for the admission of Colorado as a state was passed.

The aggregate of appropriation bills this session of Congress will reach \$180,000,000.

The Attorney-general has decided that irrespective of the time or place of marriage or the residence of the parties, a white woman married to a citizen of this country, is to be taken and deemed a citizen of the United States.

TO THE WEAK, THE WORN AND THE WEARY, the editor of the Boston Record says: "We can most unhesitatingly recommend the Peruvian Syrup, a protected solution of the protoxide of iron, to all the weak, the worn and the weary, having richly experienced its benefits. It possesses all the qualities claimed for it by its proprietor."

Johnson's Anodyne Liniment may be used to advantage where any liniment is desirable. In cases of severe cramps and pains in the stomach, it is undoubtedly the best article that can be used internally.

Habitual constipation leads to the following results: Inflammation of the kidneys, sick and nervous headache, indigestion, dyspepsia, indigestion, piles, loss of appetite, and all of which may be avoided by being regular in your habits, and taking, say one of Parson's Purgative Pills nightly for four or six weeks.

The New York and Oswego Midland Railroad Company, on Tuesday last, was adjudged bankrupt before Judge Blatchford, of the United States District Court, by default, on the petition of the Union Carriage Spring Company, to whom the railroad company owed only \$1,200.

Just received Porto Rico and New Orleans Molasses, at

Cobb Bros.

"THE GENTLEMAN IN BLACK," who is tutored demon of dream-shops, assumes his sardonic aspect when the rapid progress of VINEGAR BITTERS is reported "down below." The People's Vegetable Tonic is playing the mischief with his bitters fired with rum. All diseases which those demoniac nostrums aggravate, under pretense of relieving, such as indigestion, sick-headache, constipation, rheumatism, gout, and intermittent fevers are cured by it.

A house in North Volney, occupied by Hiram Rice, was found to be on fire about 3 o'clock of Friday morning last. Five persons were sleeping up stairs and two below, all of whom escaped by jumping from the windows, and scarcely had the last one made his exit before the roof fell in. All the contents of the house, except a sewing machine, were destroyed. Insurance \$400.

Your wife will ask you to get the best Jap. Tea. You will find it at Cobb Bros.

MARRIED:

On the evening of June 3d, at the Mexico Hotel, by Rev. James Vincent, Mr. Adelbert E. Wilcox, of Peabody, Mass., and Miss Clara A. Ambury, of Camden, Maine, were united.

[Camden papers please copy.]

## PARISH.

Our people have commenced working on the roads, and it is consoling to us that our road tax is worked out.

The road leading from Colosse to Parish depot, we learn, is to be thoroughly worked this season. This road deserves the attention of the road commissioners of Mexico and Parish. This is an old road originally laid out from Mexico Point to Camden. Since the railroad has been established it has become of vast use for the eastern part of the town of Mexico, especially Colosse, and it is only one and one half miles from Colosse to the Parish depot. Colosse does a large amount of express business, especially in poultry, and it is done at the Parish express office.

School Commissioner Howard was in town last week. He reports well in favor of our schools, and all the schools in the second district.

The Free Will Baptist Quarterly meeting was held according to appointment. Rev. A. P. Phinney was chairman, and Rev. A. E. Wilson, Sec. Five ministers were present of that denomination besides a number of delegates. Their statistics say they have about 400 members in this county; they have eight churches and four or five parishes. Services were preached on the occasion by Rev. Mr. Crowell, Rev. Messrs. Wilson, father and son, and Rev. Mr. Loomis. The congregations were not large except on Sunday, when the church was comfortably filled. Rev. Mr. Munger endeavored to make everything pleasant and agreeable, and was present during the meetings, and took a part.

The propriety of building a church here engrossed the attention of the meeting a portion of the time. It was urged by the delegates present that the two Free Will Baptist churches, of Parish, and the Free Will Baptist church at Hastings should consolidate into one, with their headquarters at Parish. It was believed it would be a mutual benefit to all. A committee of eight were appointed to prepare plans for the erection of a church, and ascertain what can be done, viz: Rev. A. P. Phinney, Capt. R. W. Slayton, Deacons Brown, Smith, Tisdale, and Messrs. E. Burt, M. Grant, and D. C. Morse. This meeting demonstrates conclusively that the religious and moral element of the place must make a new departure from the present basis.

The Sunday School at Slawson's, Hall last Sunday, was interesting, 64 persons are now on the roll. Rev. Wilsons and Loomis addressed the school, likewise Mr. Brockway, of Gilbert's Mills.

Parish, June 8, 1874. ODD.

TO PURIFY THE BLOOD, AND IMPROVE THE GENERAL HEALTH.

Take one of HOOPLAND'S PODOPHYLLIN PILLS every day for a few days, and all these effects will be realized, in pure sections. The HOOPLAND'S GERMAN BITTERS will give tone to the stomach, and remove the digestive organs to perfect health, induce the secretion of healthy fluids for the proper digestion and assimilation of food for the making of pure blood and nourishment of the body to vigorous health. This is better than all the Sarsaparilla for purifying the blood, for the component parts have specific action on the diseased organs, implicated in this condition.

JOHNSTON, HOLLOWAY & CO., Proprietors, Philadelphia. Sold by all Druggists.

Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg R. R.

1874. Winter Arrangements. 1874.

On and after Monday, June 8th, and until further notice, passenger trains will run on this road as follows, (Sundays excepted):

Leave Mexico, 8.45 a. m.; arrive at Rome, 10.30 a. m.; Utica, 11.30 a. m.; Albany, 2.30 p. m.; New York, 7.00 p. m.; Springfield, 7.30 p. m.; Boston, 11.30 p. m.; arrive at Watertown, 3.37 p. m.; Cape Vincent, 4.55 p. m.; leave Mexico, 6.20 p. m.; arrive at Watertown, 8.25 p. m.; Rome, 9.22 p. m.; Utica, 10.00 p. m.; Albany, 1.10 a. m.; New York, 7.00 a. m.; Sleeping car through to New York.

Leave Mexico, arrive at Oswego, 7.05 a. m.; 8.10 a. m.; 12.30 a. m.; 1.30 p. m.; 3.20 p. m.; 4.05 p. m.; 8.12 p. m.; 8.55 p. m.

LEAVE NEW HAVEN, going West, 7.25 a. m.; 8.35 a. m.; 1.55 p. m.; 6.15 p. m.

J. W. MOAK, Gen'l Supt. H. T. FRARY, Gen'l Ticket Agent.

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1874 Spring & Summer. 1874.

NEW GOODS, Just received, which we are selling at

Panic Prices.

Cottons are Down, and there is no use of holding on for high prices when goods are down. We will sell goods as cheap as they can be bought in the

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DRY GOODS.

A fine assortment of Prints, Gingham, Alpaca, Mourning Goods, Shawls, Lisle and Kid Gloves, Fringe, real Guipure Edges, Hamburg Embroidery, and a good assortment of Yankee Notions.

Ready-Made Clothing.

CUSTOM TAILORING, a Specialty, and can give you a job in that line, and guarantee fits. Give us a call before purchasing, and we will prove our words true.

STONE, ROBINSON & CO. Mexico, May 20, 1874.

Cloth Department!

An elegant stock of Spring Cassimeres, and in fact a full assortment of all kinds of goods adapted to men's and boys' wear. Also a full stock of

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## MEXICO MARKETS.

The following are the prices paid for farmers produce, etc. in this market:  
Four (total) Eggs \$7.75, red \$8.25, white \$9.25  
Meal, 5 cwt, (retail) 1.60  
Corn, 25 @ 26  
Butter, 22 @ 23  
Loose Butter, 22  
Cheese, 11 @ 12  
Lard, 10 @ 12  
Eggs, 5 @ 6  
Beef, 5 @ 6  
Pork, 5 @ 6  
Mutton, 5 @ 6  
Pork, 5 @ 6  
Apples, (dried), 10 @ 12  
Ham, 5 @ 6  
Dressed Poultry, 5 @ 6  
Potatoes, 5 @ 6

Housekeepers Take Notice.  
Oswego Flour, Winter, \$1.95; Spring, \$1.75.  
Kerosene oil, 15 cts per gallon.  
One Dollar Tea, 50 cts per lb.  
Pork (retail), from 9 to 12 cts.  
6 lbs. Silver Glass Starch, 70 cts.  
10 lbs. of Oat Meal, 10 to 13 cts.  
Lard, 6 cts per bar.  
Soap, 5 cts per bar.  
Cottons Thread, 7 cts per spool.  
W. O. JOHNSON, Washington St. Mexico.

"WE And Our NEIGHBORS"

is the latest and raciest work by Harriet Beecher Stowe, Author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "The Minister's Wooing," "My Wife and I," and other powerful stories, each the literary sensation of its period; and this story promises a like genuine and wholesome sensation. It has already excited topics of interest, embracing the romance of youthful companionships, the brightness of happy home-life, the spicy complications of neighborhood associations, and such follies and profound domestic miseries as have led to the widespread Temperance movement of the day.

Mrs. Stowe is now in the prime of that genius which wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin," a story of study and observation. Her novels are immensely popular, and "We and Our Neighbors" is sold by hundreds of thousands any edition of any original work ever published—save the Bible.

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AT A SUGGESTION OF THE COURT, held in and for the County of Oswego, in the Village of Mexico, on the 12th day of May, 1874.

Present: TIMOTHY W. SKINNER, Surrogate. In the matter of the application of William Sanders, Administrator of Andrew Auringer, deceased, for authority to mortgage, lease or sell the real estate of the said deceased, for the payment of his debts.

On reading and filing the application of William Sanders of Andrew Auringer, deceased, for authority to mortgage, lease or sell the real estate of the said deceased, for the payment of his debts, it is ordered that the said Andrew Auringer, deceased, appear before the Surrogate of the County of Oswego, at his office, in the village of Mexico, on the 12th day of May, 1874, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and there to show cause why authority should not be given to the said administrators to mortgage, lease or sell so much of the real estate of the said Andrew Auringer, deceased, as shall be necessary to pay his debts.—Dated the 12th day of May, 1874.

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## Groceries, Crockery, COBB BROS. NEW FIRM. NEW GOODS. NEW PRICES.

Having purchased the interest of J. HOOSE, in the old stand, we are ready to sell every thing in our line, consisting of

Groceries, Provisions, Fruits, Fish, CROCKERY, GLASS WARE, PLATED WARE, LAMPS, &c., &c., Cheaper than Ever Before.

Having fitted up and arranged our store, we wish to make a

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TEAS & CROCKERY

And ask a liberal patronage of our old customers.

LET EVERYBODY TRY OUR \$1.00 JAP. TEA,

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Come and see the new Chandeliers, Vases, Lamps, &c.

We Sell Sets of Crockery from \$7 to \$15

Warranting the goods to be No. 1.

We sell no SECONDS or CRAZED WARE.

We intend our store to be one of the best in the County, and shall spare no pains to make it attractive to the ladies who wish to inspect our samples.

L. B. COBB. J. J. COBB. Mexico, June 10, 1874.

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Good News

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Homer Ames

Mexico, N. Y., Manufacturer of

DOORS, The largest and best assortment ever in the Town of Mexico for

Only \$1.50

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FRAMES. Door Frames, Window Frames, Store Fronts, &c., &c., on hand and made to order with dispatch.

SASH. Assortment complete and made to order with promptness. Sash painted and glass set when ordered to do so.

BLINDS! Having added a new Blind Slat-Ton Machine to my works, I am now enabled to fill orders for 25 to 30 cents per foot. Door Blinds, Inside Shutters, &c., &c., made to order on the most reasonable terms.

T. J. TEMPLE. Mexico, Feb. 23, 1874.

MEAT MARKET. I also keep on hand a fine supply of all kinds of MEATS, FISH & OYSTERS, Which I shall sell at low prices.

And I would say to all persons having accounts at my store, if they are not settled within ten days they will be left for collection.

T. J. TEMPLE. Mexico, Feb. 23, 1874.

Wagon and Blacksmith Shop for Sale.

The shop lately occupied by B. F. Armstrong, in New Haven village, is now offered for sale on easy terms. It is an excellent location, with a good trade built up.

Inquire of JESSE H. HALLIDAY, or T. W. SKINNER, Mexico, N. Y.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In pursuance of an order of Timothy W. Skinner, Surrogate of Oswego County, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Joel Merchant, late of the town of Mexico, in said county, deceased, to present their claims, with vouchers thereof, to W. M. Brown, at the office of Skinner & Wright, in Mexico, N. Y., on



## The Assessment Question.

In compliance with the request of the State Assessors, contained in the circular addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, the Supervisors and Assessors of this county met in convention, Friday afternoon at the court house in Oswego.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Mentel, chairman of the last board.

On motion of Sup. Miles, Sup. Mentel was chosen President and H. L. Howe, of Sandy Creek, Secretary of the convention.

Sup. Wells, of Granby, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that obedience to the law is the duty of good citizens, still, owing to the unfavorable resolutions adopted by other counties, the application of a higher ratio in the assessment of property in this county, to give a scale of greater uniformity, is just, and we feel to understand how, in making any material change in the mode of assessment, we would remove any of the evils complained of.

Sup. Wells addressed the meeting at considerable length, in support of his resolution.

Sup. Miles offered the following as a substitute for Sup. Wells' resolution:

Resolved, That we advise the Assessors of this county to assess all the property in this county this year according to law, in accordance with the recommendation of the State Assessors.

The Chairman suggested that in towns where the assessment was already completed it would make additional labor and expense.

Question was taken on Sup. Miles' substitute and it was adopted by a vote of 41 yeas to 25 nays.

Sup. Miles moved that it be recorded as the sense of this convention that each Supervisor and Assessor who had attended should present his account for expenses incurred to the town board of audit in the town where he resided. Adopted.

The convention then adjourned sine die.

## The Veteran's Return.

The reunion of the Oswego County Soldiers of the late war at Pulaski on the 25th of August, 1873, resolved itself into a permanent association which resolved to have a similar reunion on the 25th of August in each year.

A meeting of the committee consisting of one from each town and ward in the county, was held at the 48th Reg'ts Army in Oswego, Thursday.

The meeting was called to order by Col. Warner, Vice-president.

Maj. Geo. Huginn offered his resignation as secretary, owing to removal from the county, which was accepted, and Capt. L. P. Brackett was elected in his place.

Col. Warner was elected treasurer.

The general committee of arrangements as appointed last year was corrected, vacancies filled, and now is as follows, the figures showing the regiment:

Gen. T. Sullivan, 24, President; Col. A. S. Warner, 147, Vice President; I. T. Brackett, 110, Secretary; Committee of Arrangements—Albion, Wesley M. Rich, 184; Amboy, Frank Towles, 147; Boylston, David Hamer, 24; Constantia, Volney Russell, 147; Granby, D. E. Taylor, 110; Hastings, Geo. Hill, 110; Mexico, D. B. Hunt, 110; New Haven, O. Snell, 81; Orwell, A. J. Potter, 110; Oswego, W. J. Stevens, 110; Oswego city, S. D. Pierce, 110; E. A. Cooke, 81; Orville, Morse, 24; J. A. Baker, 147; Hannibal, D. F. Acker, 84; Palermo, R. G. Ball, 147; Parish, C. H. Edick, 147; Redfield, A. S. Coey, 184; Richland, A. N. Beadle, 147; Sandy Creek, J. K. P. Cotterell, 110; Schreppell, J. Barnes, 21; bat; Scriba, Ross Burnham, 110; Volney, R. E. Lawrence, 81; E. Waugh, 110; Williamstown, W. R. Potts, 147; West Monroe, D. Sweet, 24.

The following were appointed a committee to procure badges: A. N. Beadle, S. D. Pierce, I. T. Brackett. The badge is to designate the arm of the service to which the bearer belonged. The same committee was designated as the printing committee.

The Secretary was directed to instruct the committee-men selected in each town and ward to furnish the names of all soldiers of the late war in his locality within the next thirty days and state the amount raised by him to defray expenses of the coming re-union on the 25th of August next at Pulaski.

A. N. Beadle and Thos. Moore, Jr., were appointed on railroads, and D. B. Hunt, committee on music.

Hon. J. L. Buckley was made a committee to procure the flag of the regiment and batteries from this county, now at Albany, for the grand re-union occasion.

E. A. Cook and A. N. Beadle were appointed committee on Band. The 48th Regiment Band of Oswego will be engaged.

W. H. Kenyon was selected as orator. A. N. Beadle was appointed committee on grounds and was instructed to so make his arrangements that no intoxicating drinks shall be sold on the grounds on the occasion.

E. A. Cooke, T. Moore, Jr., S. D. Pierce, D. E. Taylor, J. J. Stevens were appointed committee on amusements.

A future meeting of the general committee of arrangement will be called at Pulaski, of which the members will be notified by publication in the newspapers and letter from the secretary.

A. S. WARNER, Chairman.

I. T. BRACKETT, Secretary.

Be sure and stop as you go by Cobb Bros., and see their pyramid of Porcelain and Vases.

At the annual meeting of the Rome Waterworks & Ogdensburg Railroad Company, held at Watertown, on Wednesday of last week, the following directors were re-elected: Marcellus Massey, Talcott H. Camp, Gardner Colby, John S. Barlow, Samuel Sloan, Moses Taylor, C. Zahriske, John T. Denny, Theodore Irwin, Solon D. Hingerford, C. Pierrepont, William M. White, William E. Dodge.

All parties owing Hoose & Cobb will please settle their accounts within 30 days. Either party is authorized to make settlements. After proper notice is given all accounts unpaid will be left for collection.

The "Oratorio of Esther" last night a great success. The house was densely crowded and the entertainment was one of great excellence.

## Editorial Correspondence.

## FOURTH LETTER.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 18, 1874.

Our wanderings through the far-famed Mammoth Cave were of absorbing interest. At every few steps new wonders were revealed, and every now and then one and another of our party exclaimed, "How curious!" "How grand!" "How beautiful!"

There are two routes that may be taken, one about nine miles, and the other about five; but as our time for exploring the cave was limited to four hours, a mixed route was decided on, so as to enable our party to see a few of the attractions of both.

After leaving a small archway near the mouth of the cave (the sides of which are walled with rock), we enter the main cave, which is said to be six miles in length, and which varies from forty to one hundred feet in height, and from sixty to three hundred in width. In a few minutes we come to the Rotunda, the ceiling of which is about one hundred feet high, and its greatest diameter one hundred and seventy-five feet. The floor is strewn with the remains of bats, water-pipes, and other materials used by the subterranean miners, in 1812. The wood of which they are made shows scarcely any signs of decay. After leaving the Rotunda we come to two or three cottages, which were built about sixteen years ago by persons afflicted with consumption, under the impression that they would be benefited by a uniform temperature. But it was of no avail. It is said that three of the patients soon died in the cave, and even those who remained there any considerable time died within a few weeks after leaving it. One of these patients, it is stated, did not see the light of the sun for five months, at the end of which time he presented a frightful appearance, the face being entirely bloodless, eyes sunken, and the pupil so dilated that the whole eye appeared black.

It seems strange indeed to see houses in that subterranean region, where such awful silence and dense darkness reign!

But what will not man do to prolong life! Our next visit is to the Methodist church, which is eighty feet in diameter, and about 40 in height. The gallery or pulpit consists of a ledge of rocks twenty-five feet in height, from which, it is said, the gospel was preached more than fifty years ago. One of the guides tells us that he attended preaching there thirty-three years since. The benches, or logs, occupy the same position they did when first placed in the church. A singular place for religious service, certainly! and how quaint the edifice! It seems to us that the preaching in such a sanctuary must have been very impressive.

A wedding took place in this church some years since, and Mr. Miller, the proprietor of the cave, says it was brought about in this way: A young man having having offended his Mary Jane, she declared in sober earnestness that she would never marry him on the face of this earth. After a while they "made up," and the marriage ceremony took place in the cave, which the bride allowed was not on the face of this earth.

Not far from this church is a rock forty feet long, twenty wide, and eight in depth. It is called Giant's Coffin, and very much resembles a coffin. A little to the left of this rock is the figure of a man, and it is composed of the fluorescence of black gypsum, and rests upon the background of white limestone. It is an ugly-looking "critter," and looks extremely venomous.

Among the most beautiful sights in the cave is the Star Chamber. It is sixty feet in height, seventy in width, and about five hundred in length. The ceiling is composed of black gypsum, and is studded with innumerable white points, which, by a dim light, present a most striking resemblance to stars. Our guide, "William" (a colored man, and quite a genius in his way), takes his lamp and descends behind a ledge of rocks, by which a cloud is made to pass slowly over the ceiling, when it seems as though a storm is approaching. After producing the storm illusion, our lights are extinguished by the request of the guide, who then disappears, with several lamps, through a lower archway, several hundred yards in length, leaving our party in darkness—a darkness the like of which we never before experienced. In two or three minutes he re-appears at the eastern end of the chamber, holding the lights in advance, which, as he slowly elevates them from the cavern floor, which is so high, produces the illusion of the rising of the sun; and to make the illusion more complete, "William" imitates the crowing of roosters, the bleating of calves, dog-barking, &c.

One of the most curious passages, and one that evoked a good deal of merriment, is Fat Man's Misery. It is a low, narrow tortuous avenue, fifty yards in length, which has been, it is said, cut out of the solid rock by the mechanical action of the water. We were informed that the largest man that ever overpassed through this avenue was a 200 pounder. He must have had a "tight squeeze" indeed, for one of our number, who weighs only 230 lbs., had much difficulty in getting through. By turning sideways in some places, creeping in others, or, as some of his companions insisted, by pressing the rocks apart all the way, he came out victoriously, much to the wonder and delight of our entire company. When our friend Hunt, of the Asylum, visits Mammoth Cave, if he wants to see Mexico again, we advise him to steer clear of Fat Man's Misery. After leaving the aforesaid avenue we came to Great Relief, which varies in width from forty to sixty feet, and in height from five to twenty feet. Here we halted a while to wipe off the perspiration, which reeked from every pore, and to listen to the exploits of the fat men of the party.

Bacon Chamber excited much interest. It receives its name from the fact that small masses of rock project from the ceiling, which in size and appearance resemble bacon hams. The Dead Sea and the River Styx were next visited. The former is about fifteen feet deep, twenty wide, and fifty feet in length. A more gloomy-looking body of water we have never seen. The River Styx is one hundred and fifty yards long, from fifteen to forty in width, and in depth varies from thirty to forty feet. It has a subterranean communication with other rivers of the cave, and when Green River rises to a considerable height, there is a communication with all of them. There had been high water in the cave, which prevented the party from having a row on the River Styx to Echo River.

Some of the rivers contain little eyeless fish. They are perfectly white, and seldom exceed eight inches in length.

When we came to any chamber, or river of special note, our guide used Bengal lights, whose lurid glare made the scene one of intense interest.

There are about one hundred and fifty avenues in the cave that have been explored, many of which, however, are never entered by visitors. The total length of all the avenues is said to be one hundred miles. The temperature is uniformly fifty-nine degrees winter and summer.

On returning from the cave, six of our party got lost! One of whom, in writing to the Watertown Times, says: "This 'select six' attempted to follow the passage that they thought the party had taken, but soon found contracting walls forbade their progress! So back they turned, then to the right, then to the left, till a second fork appeared with no indication which way was right. In this dilemma, each standing as if suddenly petrified, with his little lamp dimly burning, a member of the party in choking accents exclaimed, 'My heavens! we are lost!' Astonishment and bewilderment sat on every face! One and another began to try different paths, and the few lights only served to make things look more dismal. Each shouted at the top of his lungs, again and again, with no response; until after excited listening for many minutes, which seemed hours, a welcome shout rang down the arches, 'They are found! they are found!' The glimmer of a distant light appeared, and in another moment we were following the guide towards the mouth of the cave."

It was a singular sight to see so large a company (numbering fifty-five), walking in single file, each with a lantern, through those strange subterranean passages, and at times a deep feeling of awe would come over us.

Our party at length emerged from the underground regions, and although greatly impressed with the beauty and sublimity of Mammoth Cave, were glad to be in the upper world again.

We took supper at the Cave Hotel, then started for Cave City to take the train for Nashville.

We forgot to state in a former communication that on arriving at Salamander the Atlantic and Great Western R. Co., through Mr. John N. Abbott, general passenger agent of the Erie, gave our party free passes over their road and its connections to Cincinnati and return.

Through the influence of the same gentleman, the Pullman Palace Coach Co. assigned two of their newest and finest coaches for our exclusive use. H. H.

Real Estate Sales.

Elizer A. Taylor to Orson Heath, part of lot 62 in New Haven, \$400. January, 1866.

Richard E. Sill, jr., to Wm. W. Wadsworth, 41-100 of an acre in Hastings, \$1. April, 1874.

Sophronia H. Strickland et al. to Spencer D. Coon, part of lot 7 in Hastings, \$350. May, 1874.

William Ladd to Charles Ladd, part of lot No 22 in Hastings, \$600. April, 1874.

Wm. W. Wadsworth to Richard E. Sill, jr., 7 1/2 100 of an acre in Hastings, \$3. April, 1874.

Philip Hess to Jane Pangborn, part of lots Nos. 21 and 103 in Amboy, \$800. May, 1874.

Martin Sterns to Philip Hess, part of lot No. 100 in Amboy, \$800. May, 1874.

George W. Smith to Harvey E. Wood, 89-100 of an acre in West Monroe, September, 1873.

Peter Minkler to Frances Minkler, 3 acres in Parish, \$100. July, 1870.

Mary Goodwin to David Ingersoll, about 1/2 acre in Palermo, \$1,200. December, 1874.

Hannah T. Diefendorf to Geo. Thayer, part of lot 45 in Parish, \$1,500. April, 1872.

Alanson M. May to John Wilson, 8 acres in New Haven, \$1,000. June, 1874.

The Notes and Accounts of the late firm of Galt & Richardson can be settled at the store of Galt & Castle until the 15th of June; all not paid by that date will pass into other hands for collection. GALT & RICHARDSON.

Mexico, May 27, 1873.

No humber in this; will give you the Tea if you can match it for \$1.00.

If there are any Sunday-school teachers who have not lately seen the National Sunday School Teacher, let them by all means get the number for June. No teacher can have a full idea of the use that such a magazine can be to him until he sees what resources are laid out in this periodical. Mr. B. F. Jacobs, as usual, writes the lessons. Prof. Joseph Haven, LL.D., furnishes an article, supplementing to them, on "Ancient Society." Rev. J. P. Gulliver, D. D., helps to prepare for the change from the Old Testament to the New by showing the "One God" in both; Rev. E. F. Williams characterizes and catalogues "Old Testament Miracles," and Pres. J. M. Gregory, LL.D., develops "The Law of the Teacher." The editorial departments are more than usually full and attractive; the editorial on "The Inspired Teacher" being the leader for the month.

This monthly and The Little Folks, for infant classes, are published by Adams, Blackmer & Lyon Pub. Co. Chicago.

DISOLUTION.—The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of HOOSE & COBB, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Either party is authorized to settle company accounts.

The Grocery and Crockery Trade will be continued by Cobb Brothers, and the Produce Trade by J. Hoose.

J. HOOSE, L. B. COBB.

Mexico, N. Y., June 1, 1874.

PERCELES, PERCELES.

GRAND OPENING.

I shall open this morning, at eight o'clock, and every day this week, 25,000 YARDS.

NEW STYLES.

FINE PERCELES.

ONLY 12 1/2 CENTS PER YARD.

These are cut from the piece as wanted, and are finer quality than any previously offered this season.

MILTON S. PRICE.

38 and 40 South Salina St., Syracuse.

Carter's celebrated Patent Extension Table Slides always in stock and for sale, at manufacturers' prices, in Mexico, at the Bottom Price Hardware Store of B. S. STONE & CO.

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## The Storm.

The storm of Sunday in this place consisted of heavy rain with thunder and vivid lightnings but little wind.

The lightning, we are informed, struck the house of Mr. Harvey Simmons of New Haven. It went down the chimney, defaced picture frames, tore a carpet, and made its exit through the front door without doing serious damage.

In Palermo, as we are told, a very valuable barn belonging to Mr. N. Thayer, was struck by lightning and consumed with all its contents, horses, carriages, mowing machine, and other farming implements. His daughter was also badly burned in attempting to save the horses. Insurance \$2,000. On "Lot No. 10," in the same town, four barns were destroyed.

The gale overturned a number of small boats on Onondaga Lake. As far as known one was drowned, and another missing. Much damage was done in Syracuse by the wind. Many houses were unroofed and chimneys and other structures overturned.

## Remington Sewing Machine.

MR. HUMPHRIES.—Dear Sir: One year ago to-day I commenced the sale of the Remington Sewing Machine—at that time without any experience, but relying wholly upon the merits of the machine, believing if it was well explained by the manufacturers it would most certainly prove a success. At the end of my first year's experience, I am able to record 111 sales, all made within a small part of our county, which, considering the fact that the past year has been one of panic and general stagnation in all branches of trade, must be regarded as a complete success and a strong argument for the superiority of the machine. Among my customers may be found practical mechanics, manufacturers and parties familiar with all the leading machines and yet not a case to my knowledge who would not contend that the Remington was in every essential particular the best machine in the market. During the year I have seen many practical and experienced parties, agents and dealers in other machines admit its superiority, either by endeavoring to secure it for sale, or purchasing it for their own use. I have recently sold one of these machines to John Cobb of your village—for a long time the agent of the Singer Machine—and am forced to the conclusion that if so good an agent and so good a judge as Mr. Cobb will discard so good a machine as the Singer for the Remington, scores of buyers will do the same and render the sale of the Remington the ensuing year unprecedented in this county.

Very respectfully, C. C. LESTER.

Oswego, N. Y., June 5, 1874.

No Excuse for being Sick.

No person can use Boschee's German Syrup without getting immediate relief and cure. We have the first case of Coughs, Colds or Consumption, or of any disease of the Throat and Lungs, yet to hear from that has not been cured. We have distributed every year for three years over 250,000 sample bottles "FREE OF CHARGE" by druggists in all parts of the United States. No other Manufacturers of Medicine ever gave their preparations such a test as this. Go to your Druggist, John C. Taylor, Mexico, and get a bottle for 75 cents and try it—two doses will relieve you.

Sample bottles 10 cents.

MEXICO FIRE DEPARTMENT.—The members of the Mexico Fire Brigade are requested to meet at Engine Hall tomorrow (Friday) night, at 7 o'clock.

P. GREGORY, Chief.

REMEMBER, J. R. NORTON

Has just received a much larger stock of Dry Goods than ever before.

Splendid yard wide sheetings for only 9 cts., at NORTON'S.

Shawls! Shawls! Shawls! As formerly the best assortment of shawls ever in town, is at NORTON'S.

2 Button Kid Gloves in colors, for \$1.00, at NORTON'S.

Parasols and Showerers. A usual, the best assortment of Parasols ever in Mexico, is at NORTON'S.

Good yard wide bleached cotton for 10 cts., at NORTON'S.

All Linen Napkins, \$1.00 per doz.; at 28 NORTON'S.

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Those beautiful parasols at BECKER BROS.

A line of Colles's, burnt or green, from 25 cts. to 45 cts., at COBB BROS.

Union Square School.

June 5th, 1874.

ROLL OF HONOR.—Clarence Booth, Johnnie Davis, Elmore Gardner, George Gardner, Emma Hartson, Florence Booth, Horace Church, Abbie Matthews, Newell Richardson, Lora Root, Nora Root, Norman Root, Carrie Sheeley, Ida McNitt, Clara Wood, Charlie Wood, Charlie Wilmot, Eddie Sharp.

Not Tardy.—Clarence Booth, Johnnie Davis, Elmore Gardner, George Gardner, Emma Hartson, Newell Richardson, Nora Root, Lora Root, Norman Root, Abbie Matthews, Carrie Sheeley, Ida McNitt, Clara Wood, Charlie Wood, Eddie Sharp.

OLIVE E. BREWSTER, Teacher.

The Temperance League of Oswego was permanently organized, Friday, with the election of J. G. Jenkins president, the adoption of a constitution, and Article V of the constitution reads: "To the vigilance committee is entrusted the attending to the enforcement of the laws relating to intemperance, with power to employ counsel and to use all means they may deem necessary for the right and thorough enforcement of the same."

SEVEN BARKS.—Ezra G. Smith, of this town, has become agent for this medicine which is highly spoken of by those who have used it. Any one wishing to try it, can communicate with him.

J. Hoose buys the Butter and Produce, and the Goods are sold by the COBB BROS.

## Oswego County Anniversaries, Held in the Presbyterian church, Mexico, June 10th and 11th.

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The meeting was opened by a sermon by Rev. H. H. Stebins, of Oswego, on Isaiah iv, 10-11. It was an appropriate and able discourse, and listened to with much interest.

The business meeting followed. In the absence of the President, Samuel H. Stone, Esq., of this village, was elected Chairman, and Mr. J. H. Coe, of Oswego, Secretary.

Report of Executive Committee approved. Report of Treas. was read and accepted.

The following were then nominated by the nominating committee and elected as the officers for the ensuing year: President, T. W. Skinner Mexico; Vice Presidents, John B. Edwards, Oswego, S. W. Brewster, Hannibal, O. M. Bond, Oswego; Recording Secretary, Frank Thall; Corresponding Secretary, H. H. Stebins; Treasurer, J. H. Coe; Auditing Committee, F. B. Lathrop, E. E. Goulet; Executive Committee, G. Mollison, W. D. Smith, Rev. Mr. Traver, J. A. Hathaway, L. H. Conklin, M. Werts.

A resolution instructing the Executive Committee to make an appropriation on the basis of \$1,000 for this county for the ensuing year.

It was moved and carried that the preachers and pastors of the different churches in the county be asked to preach or cause to be preached one sermon during the coming year, for the increase of the collection for the benefit of the American Bible Society.

The Executive Committee was instructed to place Bibles in the rooms of the hotels in the principal places in the county.

The Executive Committee was also instructed to send a circular to the churches of all denominations, in this county asking them to co-operate with the county society.

Rev. H. Woodruff, in reply to a question, stated that the jails and poorhouse had been supplied with Bibles.

Evangelists in the county have been visited within the past two years.

Rev. E. Horr, Jr., was added to the Executive Committee.

The next annual meeting will be held at the Presbyterian church, Constantin. Meeting adjourned till 7.30 p. m.

Evening.

The evening meeting was not largely attended, but the few were amply repaid for going. In the absence of the President (Hon. T. W. Skinner), Mr. Samuel H. Stone presided. The exercises were opened by singing Coronation, after which prayer was offered by Rev. A. L. Smalley. Rev. Mr. Seward, was made Secretary for the evening; the Auditing Committee reported the accounts correct. The Treasurer was instructed to pay all funds not needed for immediate use to the parent society.

Rev. Mr. Douglass, of Pulaski, then gave an address on the Relation between Science and the Bible. Both being true that relation must be harmony. Christianity should wait patiently for the developments of Science, knowing that when perfected they will strengthen it.

Nature's Creator and Man's Redeemer are one, the laws of creation and redemption are in unison. Mr. Douglass then showed instances where the later discoveries of science corroborated revelation, and drew a parallel proving his premises.

The address was received with great favor, it being the sense of the society that it should be placed in the hands of every young man, and it was requested for publication, the only question being as to the form. After some discussion, in which Hon. O. J. Harmon, Rev. Dr. Horr, Smalley, Barker, Long, Woodruff and Douglass, took part, the matter was given into the hands of Messrs. F. W. Skinner, G. Mollison and O. J. Harmon, as a committee of publication, to act as should seem to them best.

Rev. Mr. Woodruff narrated a few incidents of his canvassing work; votes of thanks were given to the speakers, officers, the citizens of Mexico for their hospitality, and to Mr. Woodruff for his efficient manner in which he had discharged his duties. After singing the long meter doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Horr, and the meeting adjourned.

The County B. S. Union met in the Presbyterian church Wednesday morning, Judge Harmon presiding, and Rev. Mr. Greeley, secretary pro tem. After devotional exercises the theme, "The International Lesson Helps and How to Use Them," was introduced by Rev. Mr. Seward. The discussion was sustained by Rev. Messrs. Horr, Smalley, Barker and Long, Messrs S. Smith, R. A. Burdick, B. Drake and H. Humphries, and Miss Cooper. The International Lessons were generally commended, but the use of the "Leaves" in schools was somewhat criticised.

The second theme "Hours for Church Services, the place of the Sunday School in these Services," was introduced by Rev. E. Horr, Jr., who was followed by Rev. Messrs. Johnson, Greeley, Smalley, Barker and Seward, Messrs. Streeter, Ingersoll, Gardner, Adams, Cox, Burdick and Mrs. Jacobs. Mr. Horr's plan was sermon in the morning, Sabbath Schools in the afternoon, family instruction or prayer meeting for those who like it in the evening. This modification was generally approved.

The afternoon session was opened by devotional exercises. After which Rev. Mr. Long showed some specimens of Bible and testament racks, and spoke of their being introduced on several railroads. They are neat and admirably adapted for the purposes designed.

Then followed the election of officers for the ensuing year.

President—O. J. Harmon; Vice Presidents, Morris Place, J. G. Benedict; Secretary, Stanley Gardner; Treasurer, E. M. Andrews; Executive Committee, Wm. Adams, M. Werts, Henry Humphries, I. D. Poucher.

The lesson for next Sabbath (Deut. 18:10-26), was taught by Rev. H. H. Stebins. The distinction between true and false prophets was the subject of discussion. The manner in which Mr. Stebins handled the lesson showed that he is a good Bible student and knows how to teach.

Miss Cooper, of the Oswego Normal School, gave a very thoughtful and suggestive address upon "Teachers' Method." She considered whom, why and how we are to teach, particularly commending illustrations from nature. An especial vote of thanks was accorded to her. Mr. E. Morse explained an ingenious method of library delivery, after which the convention adjourned.

The convention, though not so well attended as on some former occasions, was of great interest, and many suggestions were offered,



